

FDA FACT SHEET

ANIMAL FEED REGULATORY PROGRAM STANDARDS (AFRPS) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT PROGRAM

Program Description

- Provides funding for state animal feed regulatory programs that maintain an FDA Animal Food Safety Inspection Contract.
- Funding allows State animal feed regulatory programs to:
 - Develop and implement the Animal Feed Regulatory Program Standards (AFRPS);
 - Develop and maintain best practices;
 - Enhance animal feed safety;
 - Better direct regulatory activities at reducing foodborne illness attributed to animal feed safety hazards in FDA regulated facilities.
- State laboratories that support animal feed regulatory programs are provided funding options to pursue international standard ISO/IEC 17025:2005 accreditation or expansion of their current accreditation.

Intended Outcomes

For state animal feed regulatory programs

- Advance efforts for a nationally Integrated Animal Feed Safety System by achieving and maintaining full implementation of the AFRPS.
- Contribute to the continuous improvement of the AFRPS by attending AFRPS initiatives.
- Develop strategies and best practices that can be duplicated on a national basis and will achieve and sustain AFRPS implementation.
- Provide FDA a foundation for pursuing regulatory action based upon state feed regulatory inspectional activities.

For state laboratories that support state animal feed regulatory programs

- Conduct chemical and microbiological analysis of animal feed samples.
- Enhance capacity and capability of animal food testing laboratories in support of the advancement of a nationally Integrated Animal Feed Safety System (IFSS) by obtaining, expanding, and maintaining ISO/IEC 17025:2005 accreditation.
- Produce valid and defensible testing data for potential regulatory action by using validated testing methods.
- Facilitate information sharing including laboratory results to further enhance public health.

Program Metrics

• Current program funding: \$10.05M

Current number of awards: 20

Figure 1. AFRPS Cooperative Agreement States (2016-2017)





Framework

- State Regulatory Agency with a partnering State Laboratory that is not currently ISO/IEC accredited and/or not funded under the ISO Cooperative Agreement are eligible for the following:
 - Up to \$300,000 annually for State Regulatory Agency
 - Up to \$300,000 annually for State Laboratory
 - Up to \$600,000 annually for the total combined funding award
- State Regulatory Agency with a partnering State Laboratory that is currently ISO/IEC accredited and/or funded under the ISO Cooperative Agreement are eligible for the following:
 - Up to \$300,000 annually for State Regulatory Agency
 - Up to \$150,000 annually for State Laboratory
 - Up to \$450,000 annually for the total combined funding award

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